

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CHI THANH NGO,

Plaintiff,

v.

MANUEL ROMERO, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:24-cv-00472-KES-BAM

ORDER GRANTING IN PART AND
DENYING IN PART STIPULATION AND
JOINT REQUEST FOR AN ORDER
CONTINUING TRIAL AND TRIAL
RELATED DATES

(Doc. 24)

On June 30, 2025, the parties filed a stipulation and joint request to modify the Scheduling Conference Order in this case. (Doc. 24.). The parties explain that, due to the trial schedules of various counsel in this matter, they are unable to effectively schedule the depositions of the named individual parties prior to the non-expert discovery deadline of August 1, 2025. The parties also agree that mediation and/or a settlement conference would be beneficial in this matter, but only after completion of the depositions of the named individual parties. The parties therefore request modification of all remaining pretrial and trial deadlines. (*Id.*) For the reasons set forth below, the joint request will be granted in part and denied in part.

The parties are reminded that the Scheduling Conference Order dates were selected in coordination with all counsel's schedules and commitments. Ongoing scheduling conflicts with other cases is not a basis for continuance of the Scheduling Order, and counsel must have considered such commitments when selecting dates in this matter. This case was scheduled on

August 2, 2024, and the parties do not provide any information that conflicting cases predated this Court's Scheduling Conference Order. Further, settlement discussions are not good cause for a continuance. District Judge Sherriff does not permit continuance of trial dates mutually selected with the Court. Nonetheless, the Court sees a brief continuance of pretrial matters may marginally be warranted. Accordingly, the Scheduling Conference Order will be modified, such that the non-expert discovery deadline will be continued solely for the purpose of completing depositions of the named individual parties. The remaining pretrial deadlines will be modified accordingly, except for the trial date, which will remain as scheduled for September 22, 2026.

Based on the foregoing, the Scheduling Conference Order is HEREBY MODIFIED as follows:

	CURRENT DEADLINE	CONTINUED DEADLINE
Non-Expert Discovery Cutoff (as to the depositions of the named individual parties ONLY)	August 1, 2025	November 3, 2025
Expert Disclosure	August 22, 2025	November 17, 2025
Supplemental Expert Disclosure	September 19, 2025	December 15, 2025
Expert Discovery Cutoff	October 31, 2025	January 26, 2026
Pretrial Motion Filing Deadline	January 23, 2026	February 13, 2026
Pretrial Conference	June 22, 2026	July 13, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Courtroom 6 (KES)
Trial	September 22, 2026	September 22, 2026, at 9:00 AM in Courtroom 6 (KES)

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 7, 2025

/s/ Barbara A. McAuliffe
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE